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An Iraqi policeman looks into a burned bus. DAVID GUTTENFELDER/AP

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THE EARLY YEARS: John and Jacqueline Kennedy look out from the balcony of their rented Georgetown townhouse in this May 1954 photo, part of "Camelot at Dawn," an exhibit of rarely seen images now on display at Smithsonian's Arts and Industries Building. ♦ **For More:** See page 12

U.S. Mulls More Troops in Iraq

WASHINGTON | The United States may have to call up thousands more National Guard and Reserve troops within weeks for duty in Iraq, the Defense Department's second-ranking general said Wednesday.

The Bush administration still hopes that Turkey, India, Pakistan or South Korea will contribute thousands of troops for security duty in Iraq, said Marine Gen. Peter Pace, vice chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. But

military planners are not counting on it.

Although reservists are called upon to serve in every overseas conflict, the scope of involvement and length of duty in Iraq have raised questions about whether the Bush administration is asking citizen soldiers to shoulder too much of the burden.

About 130,000 U.S. troops are in Iraq, of which at least 20,000 are Guard and Reserve.

ROBERT BURNS (AP)

No-Call Registry On Hold

Congress vows action after judge rules for telemarketers

WASHINGTON | Hold the phone! Consumers who thought they would get a reprieve from telemarketing calls starting next week may have to wait longer for peace and quiet.

A federal judge in Oklahoma City sided with telemarketers who sued to stop the Federal Trade Commission's "do-not-call" list. The FTC asked the court Wednesday to block the ruling and filed for an appeal.

More than 50 million phone numbers have been submitted to the FTC registry by people who don't want business solicitation calls. The list was to take effect next Wednesday, and regulators and telemarketers said they weren't sure whether the judge's order would stop that from happening.

In the meantime, the FTC said consumers can continue to sign up for the free service.

Lawmakers quickly denounced the judge's decision and pledged to pass legislation to clarify any questions about FTC authority.

"This is the goofiest decision that I've seen in a long time," said Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y.

After the ruling, angry consumers posted the judge's office and home phone numbers on Web sites and encouraged people to call and complain. DAVID HO (AP)



BY THE NUMBERS: Under the FTC's do-not-call rules, a telemarketing company that contacts people registered on the list could incur fines up to \$11,000 for each violation. (AP)



Mutual Admiration: A toast — to *Jim Henson* from *AFI*, to *Black Cat* from itself, to good genes from the *Bacon*



Brothers and to the red, white & blue from *Toby Keith*. Thank you! No, thank you, sir! **WEEKEND PASS** | 13-20

EyeOpeners

ANIMAL WATCH

Can You Hear Me Now?

They drag into his food. Sometimes he even trips over them. Now they're getting an earful of attention. Mr. Jeffries the Bassett Hound has been named by the 2004 Guinness Book of World Records as the dog with the world's largest ears. Although the honor doesn't seem to have gone to Mr. Jeffries's head, his owner has insured the hound's 11.5-inch appendages for \$47,800. (AP)



GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS/AP

ART

Cents and Sensibility

Abraham Lincoln would be pleased with Tyree Guyton's latest effort—the Detroit artist plans to cover a house with pennies. The two-story structure, dubbed the House That Makes Sense, will house work and gallery space for young artists. It'll take about 384,000 coins to finish the project, the Detroit Free Press reports. (EXPRESS)

FOOD

Chip Withdrawal

Four men in Chicago have been arrested and charged with drug possession after police found what they estimated to be \$39 million worth of high-grade cocaine hidden inside a shipment of Mexican avocado pulp Friday. Police found the cocaine in 2-kilogram bricks individually stuffed inside 180 buckets of the frozen guacamole. (AP)



WHO KNEW? According to Web filtering company N2H2, the number of porn pages on the Internet has exploded to 260 million, a 1,800 percent hike over five years ago, Agence France-Presse reports.

THE GREAT BEYOND Alive By a Nose

It was believed to be extinct, but it turns out at least one almiqui—with a face only a mother could love—is alive and well. A living example of the insectivore, native to Cuba, has been found in the island's eastern mountains, a Cuban news agency reported. The creature, with its pink-tipped snout that can measure nearly 20 inches long, is nocturnal and burrows underground during the daytime, explaining why



CRISTOBAL HERRERA/AP

people rarely see it. Cuban officials preserved one of the animals (pictured) for display in a museum. (AP)

LAW

Watching the Watchers

British police in North Wales set up a trap to catch speeding motorists—and netted 12 of their own officers. Police said Wednesday that speed cameras of their "Arrive Alive

Campaign" recorded 102 police vehicles breaking the speed limit over the past year. Most of the officers were responding to emergencies, but in 12 cases, officers were fined the standard 60 pounds, or \$100, for speeding. (AP)

5 Day Forecast for the Washington Area

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Lo 60



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Lo 62



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Lo 56



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Lo 56



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Pollen Index (Yesterday)
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In Brief

WASHINGTON

Senate Streamlines U.S. Olympic Committee

The Senate has agreed to streamline the United States Olympic Committee in hopes of bringing more accountability to the scandal-ridden organization. Legislation approved by voice vote Tuesday night would dramatically scale back the U.S. committee's governing structure and provide more congressional oversight. (AP)

ANNAPOLIS, MD.

Gov. Signs Extradition Warrant for Dotson

Gov. Robert Ehrlich has signed a warrant allowing former Baylor University basketball player Carlton Dotson to be sent back to Texas, where he is charged with killing a teammate. A hearing set for Oct. 14 may be moved up now that the warrant has been signed. Texas prosecutors say Dotson, who is from Maryland, shot 21-year-old Patrick Dennehy in June. (AP)



Dotson

SALT LAKE CITY

Utah Fire Burns 3,200 Acres

A fire set to clear brush in a national forest escaped its containment lines and had burned 3,200 acres by Wednesday. Aided by wind gusts of more than 20 mph, the fire moved 70 to 80 feet per minute Tuesday. Air drops of retardant continued, however, and about 80 firefighters were working on the fire Wednesday. (AP)

STRUCTURAL PROBLEMS | PAY TO PARK



JAMES A. FINLEY/AP

COSTLY CRUSH: The southwest corner of a two-story parking garage near downtown St. Louis collapsed Wednesday, damaging at least three vehicles but causing no injuries according to police. People claimed there were 100 cars parked in the lot. It was not immediately clear what caused the collapse.

Military Expands Guantanamo Probe

WASHINGTON | An investigation into possible security breaches at the Guantanamo Bay prison camp for terror suspects has expanded to a third member of the military, Pentagon officials said Wednesday.

The arrests of an Air Force translator and a Muslim Army chaplain — both worked at the Cuban base and have apparent ties to Syria — have shaken Defense Department officials. About 660 suspected Taliban or al Qaeda members are being held at the high-security base.

A member of the Navy who was also part of the small military community at the Guantanamo Bay prison camp is under investigation in

the security probe but has not been arrested, Pentagon officials said.

So far, charges have been filed only against Senior Airman Ahmad I. al-Halabi, 24, who worked as a translator for the detainees. He is accused of espionage, aiding the enemy, and charges that he tried to pass classified information about prisoners and base security to "the enemy" and to his native Syria.

Al-Halabi denies the charges, claiming he was trying to arrange a trip to Syria to get married, his lawyer said. MATT KELLEY (AP)



Al-Halabi

Calif. Candidates Square Off on TV

SACRAMENTO, CALIF. | With less than two weeks to go before the election, the top candidates vying to replace Gov. Gray Davis studied up Wednesday for what could be the only debate of the campaign to include Arnold Schwarzenegger.

The stakes were high for last night's televised debate: Two-thirds of voters in a recent poll said they would be swayed by the face-off, which could be the most-watched in California political history. (AP)

California crossfire: Check out how the candidates fared at washingtonpost.com/recall

Dean Leads Democratic Money Chase

Former Vt. governor builds bank as Bush closes in on \$80 million

WASHINGTON | Howard Dean has broken former President Clinton's Democratic record for most money raised in a three-month burst, while new rival Wesley Clark is turning to some of Clinton's most effective fundraisers to help him jump-start his presidential campaign.

No Democrat is coming close to President Bush's fundraising, however. Bush is expected to collect about \$43 million by the time the third

quarter ends next Tuesday, bringing his total this year to roughly \$78 million, GOP officials said.

Dean, raising millions on the Internet, is likely to take in \$13 million to \$16 million this quarter, a campaign insider said. That would lift him to at least \$23.5 million for the race so far and likely make him the year's Democratic money leader.

Democratic strategists say Dean could raise at least double what his party's other top hopefuls will collect during the third quarter. The for-

mer Vermont governor has already passed the Democratic record set by Clinton, who took in \$10.3 million over three months in 1995 for his re-election.

Clark is on pace to collect \$2 million or more by the time the fundraising quarter ends, after only two weeks in the Democratic race. The retired general, like Clinton an Arkansan, is getting a boost from some of the former president's most prolific fundraisers.

SHARON THEIMER (AP)

And then there were ten: The Democratic presidential hopefuls, including newcomer Wesley Clark, face off in New York today. Get the latest at washingtonpost.com

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Nation

Texas Redraws District Maps

Long-stalled plan for redistricting faces possible legal challenge

AUSTIN, TEXAS | After four turbulent months, three special legislative sessions and two Democratic walk-outs, both houses of the Republican-controlled legislature have adopted redistricting plans that could give the GOP control of Texas's congressional delegation.

Some obstacles to final passage remain, but the worst of the squabbling among lawmakers in the Lone Star State appears to be over in what

has amounted to a crushing defeat for Democrats.

The Senate gave final approval to its redistricting legislation Wednesday. The House adopted its own map last week.

Negotiators from both houses still have to work out their differences before the new map becomes a reality. And the Democrats have vowed to sue.

Nevertheless, the Senate's approval of the legislation removes a major hurdle in the GOP's effort to redraw Texas's congressional districts in their favor — a high-stakes battle with national implications.

The Democrats currently control Texas's congressional delegation, 17-15. They have branded the GOP effort a right-wing power grab engineered by U.S. House Majority Leader Tom DeLay of Texas.

States are required to redraw their congressional districts after the census every 10 years, but a federal court drew Texas's map after state lawmakers failed to do so in 2001. Republicans say districts should be redrawn by the Texas legislature, while Democrats say the current map should stay in place until after the 2010 census.

NATALIE GOTT (AP)

FDA Panel Approves Alzheimer's Treatment

Scientists express concern about drug's effectiveness

WASHINGTON | A drug long used in Germany to ease the ravages of Alzheimer's disease took a step toward the U.S. market on Wednesday when government scientists backed memantine as the first treatment specifically for late stages of the neurological disease.

But the Food and Drug Administration's advisers struggled with how much benefit memantine actually offers, and if it could give

false hope to families of the most severely ill patients.

When it comes to benefit for the most severe Alzheimer's patients, "I'm very unimpressed," added Dr. Roger Packer, a neuroscientist in Washington.

Still, the FDA panel voted unanimously that memantine does offer some benefit to people with moderate to severe Alzheimer's symptoms, and is safe enough to try.

If the FDA agrees, memantine would mark an important step in Alzheimer's therapy. The new drug could let doctors prescribe drug combinations in hopes of better results. LAURAN NEERGAARD (AP)

CAPITOL | HANGING



LOOK OUT BELOW: Officials in West Virginia closed their Capitol's rotunda Wednesday amid concerns that a wobbly 2-ton chandelier might fall.

BOBBIRD/AP



DAVE SCHWARZ/ST. CLOUD TIMES/AP

Rocori High School students hugged in the school parking lot on Wednesday after a fellow student allegedly shot and killed one boy and wounded another.

Minn. School Shooting Kills One, Wounds One

COLD SPRING, MINN. | A student opened fire at a high school Wednesday, killing one student and critically wounding a second, authorities said.

The suspect was taken into custody after the late-morning shooting at the 829-student Rocori High School in Cold Spring, a small town about 60 miles northwest of the Minneapolis-St. Paul area.

Police Chief Phil Jones said "there was chaos" as police arrived at the school. One of the students was shot while in the school's weight room and the other shooting occurred in the gym.

Aaron Rollins, a senior, died at a hospital. The other wounded student, a freshman, was in critical condition. Police did not release his name.

Seniors are about 18 years old and freshmen are about 14. The suspect is a freshman.

Officials evacuated the school and sent all students home.

"There was kids crying, and it was really quiet," student Jamie Toddingham, told KSTP-TV.

Jones said the investigation was still under way, but that it appeared that a teacher and coach talked the suspect into surrendering a small-caliber gun. When police arrived, the boy was in the custody of the school's staff in an administrative office, he said.

Mike Austreng, editor of the weekly Cold Spring Record, said he saw one wounded student airlifted from the school.

CRAIG GUSTAFSON (AP)

N.M. Divided on Education Plan

ALBUQUERQUE | A ballot question on whether to devote more state money to schools remained undecided a day after the election, and the result of the narrow vote may not be known for nearly three more weeks.

The latest unofficial count Wednesday afternoon showed the measure was failing by just 23 votes of the more than 183,000 cast. The vote seesawed as counties revised their tallies. Counties have until Oct. 3 to complete their canvass of returns, and the state will certify the results Oct. 14.

The financing proposal is crucial to help plug a looming budget shortfall and pay for newly enacted school improvements, such as better teacher pay, expected to cost \$100 million.



Richardson

The second amendment in Tuesday's special election passed easily, granting Gov. Bill Richardson the authority to appoint a secretary of education.

"Voters said 'yes' to changing our education system, and the true winners will be New Mexico's children and New Mexico's future," Richardson said. (AP)

Persistently Dangerous Schools? Not Here, States Say

WASHINGTON | Only 52 of the nation's 91,000 public schools are labeled persistently dangerous by their states, findings that allow students in those few schools to transfer to safer places but deny a similar option to tens of millions of other children.

The lack of a label does not mean a school is without crime, but rather that there is not enough to merit the designation. There were nearly 700,000 violent crimes in America's schools in 2000, the last year for which statistics were available.

The new school year marks the first time that states must define

and identify their most dangerous schools and let all students at those schools enroll elsewhere in their district.

Forty-four states and the District of Columbia have responded by declaring they have no schools fitting that description.

The order to designate unsafe schools is part of federal law designed to hold schools accountable and give students choices.

But to some school advocates, the small number identified is so implausible it renders the ordered assessment meaningless. (AP)

COMING CLEAN

The following states were the only ones in the nation to identify schools as consistently dangerous:

- **Pennsylvania:** 28 schools in Philadelphia and Chester Co.
- **Nevada:** 8 schools in Reno and Las Vegas.
- **New Jersey:** 7 schools in Camden City, Atlantic City, Millville, East Orange and Clayton.
- **Texas:** 6 schools in San Marcos, El Paso and Crystal City.
- **New York:** 2 schools in New York City.
- **Oregon:** 1 school in Portland.

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World

Baghdad Shaken by Bombs

Sex-film theater in northern city of Mosul also attacked

BAGHDAD, IRAQ | Bombs rocked a teeming quarter of Baghdad and a sex-film theater in the northern city of Mosul on Wednesday, reportedly killing at least three Iraqis. And in a string of clashes, the U.S. military reported killing nine Iraqis on one of the bloodiest days in weeks.

Near Baghdad, a bomb meant to catch a passing U.S. patrol exploded as two buses rolled by. The blast sent shrapnel ripping through the buses and caused one to crash into a tree. At least one Iraqi was killed and 18 others were wounded, police and hospital officials reported. Five of the injured were in critical condition, hospital officials reported.

In Mosul, a bomb exploded in a movie theater showing foreign sex films, and witnesses said two people were killed and seven injured. Religious and political groups have



KARIM SAHIB/AP/GETTY
The mother of an injured Iraqi policeman is comforted by relatives Wednesday at the Al-Nouman Hospital in Baghdad after a commuter bus hit a roadside bomb. One Iraqi was killed and 21 others wounded, four seriously.

warned cinema owners against showing such films after censorship ended following the collapse of Saddam's regime.

In the flashpoint region around Tikrit, Saddam's hometown, U.S. troops aborted two ambushes by anti-American forces, killing five

Iraqis, and came under fire elsewhere in exchanges that left at least four Iraqis dead, the U.S. military reported. CHARLES J. HANLEY (AP)

Deconstructing reconstruction: Behind the dearth of planning that has fettered the American effort to rehabilitate Iraq. Today's Post: Section A

Group Says China Official Charged With Subversion

BEIJING | A southwestern China government official accused of using Internet chatrooms to contact dissidents abroad has been arrested on subversion charges, a human rights

group said Wednesday.

Li Zhi, 32, was arrested Sept. 3 by state security agents in Sichuan province where he was a finance official, according to a statement from New-York based Human Rights in China.

Activists say the Chinese government has detained more than 30 people in recent years in an effort to stamp out online dissent. The

government encourages Internet use for business and education but tries to block online criticism of communist rule.

Li's arrest was the first for Internet dissent reported by activists since early this year. Four people who posted appeals online for political change were convicted by a Beijing court in June and sentenced to 8-10 years in prison. (AP)

Hamas Will Not Agree To Truce

Leader defies new Palestinian P.M., rules out disarmament

GAZA CITY, GAZA STRIP | Hamas will not disarm or accept a truce with Israel, the leader of the militant group said Wednesday in his first public appearance since Israeli forces tried to kill him on Sept. 6.

"There is no place to talk about a truce because the enemy is continuing his aggression," Shiek Ahmed Yassin said. He added: "He who carries a bomb and blows himself up" is destined for paradise, referring to suicide attackers who have killed hundreds of Israelis.

Yassin's comments undercut efforts by the incoming Palestinian prime minister, Ahmed Qureia, to negotiate a cease-fire with Israel without confronting the militants. Qureia could have trouble carrying out his agenda without Hamas cooperation. NAJIB ABU JOBAIN (AP)



Yassin

WHO KNEW? During the 1990s, the U.N. was engaged in a number of transitions to democracy. The U.N. mission in East Timor is widely regarded as its most successful.

In Brief

HAITI Protest Turns Violent

Police fired tear gas and exchanged gunfire with demonstrators who blocked streets Wednesday in a second day of protests over the killing of a gang leader loyal to President Jean-Bertrand Aristide. At least five protesters and two police officers were wounded by gunfire, Haiti's Radio Metropole reported. A crowd of more than 1,000 set up flaming tire barricades as they protested the killing of Amiot Metayer, a leader of the so-called "Cannibal Army" whose bullet-riddled body was found Monday night. (AP)

RUSSIA Workers at Nuclear Site Exposed to Radiation

Twelve Russian nuclear workers have been exposed to radiation exceeding the normal levels while working at a nuclear dumpsite on the Arctic Kola Peninsula, but their health wasn't in danger, officials said. A Nuclear Power Ministry spokesman said the workers stayed longer than allowed at a storage facility for radioactive waste and received excessive doses of radiation. (AP)

AFGHANISTAN Soldiers Net Brother of Taliban Commander in Raid

Afghan soldiers raided a house in the southern Zabul province, arresting four suspected Taliban fighters and seizing several assault rifles and hand grenades, a regional army official said Wednesday. Among the rebels captured during the raid was a brother of a Taliban commander in Zabul's provincial capital, Qalat, the official said. (AP)

SERBIA Moderate Politician Nominated for Presidency

Serbia's ruling coalition nominated a moderate politician as its candidate for the presidential elections in November, urging all reformist parties to support him and help the vote succeed, the state-run news agency reported Wednesday. The Nov. 16 vote will be Serbia's third attempt since last fall to elect the head of state. Two polls last year failed because turnout was less than the 50 percent required by the law for an election to be valid. (AP)

VATICAN | CONSPICUOUS ABSENCE



VINCENZO PINTO/AP/GETTY
CALLING IN: Brides and grooms arrive at the Vatican Wednesday for the weekly general audience. Pope John Paul II unexpectedly canceled his appearance this week due to ill-health and instead gave his blessing to the faithful via radio from Castelgandolfo, a papal residence outside of Rome.

Court Dismisses War-Crimes Cases

BRUSSELS, BELGIUM | Belgium's highest court dismissed war crimes complaints Wednesday against former President George Bush, Vice President Dick Cheney, and Secretary of State Colin Powell, ruling the country no longer has a legal basis to charge them.

The decision was expected to improve Belgium's diplomatic relations with the United States and Israel, which hit their lowest points in decades over the complaints. The Bush administration threatened to move NATO headquarters out of Belgium over the country's use of the law to file complaints against leaders in the United States.

The cases were based on a Belgian universal jurisdiction law allowing foreigners to file genocide and war crimes complaints against foreign leaders. With Wednesday's decision, no other cases against U.S. officials are pending.

The complaints against Bush, Powell, and Cheney, who was then U.S. defense secretary, were filed on behalf of the families of seven Iraqis killed or injured during the 1991 Gulf War. The issue centers on the February 1991 bombing of a shelter in Baghdad, which killed 403 people. American aircraft attacked the shelter believing it was a command center. RAF CASERT (AP)

Police Let Suspect Go, Nab Another In Lindh Killing

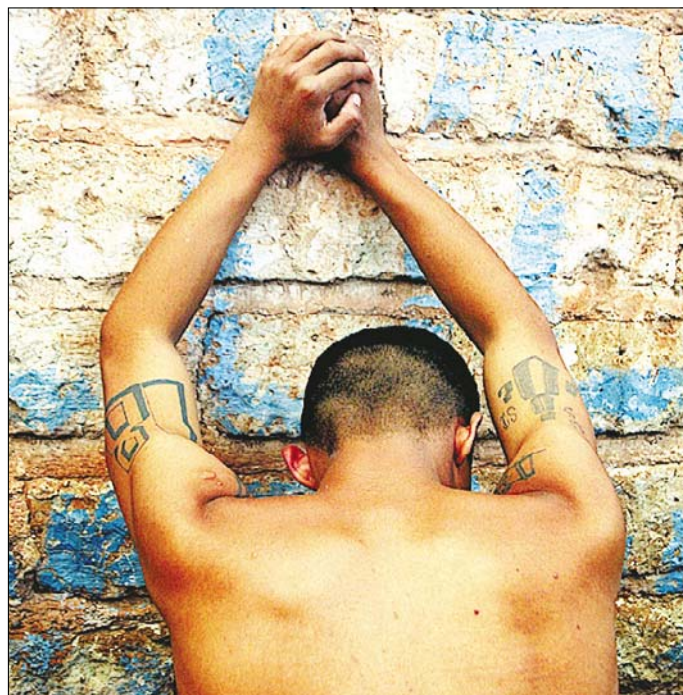
STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN | In an abrupt about face, police freed one suspect and arrested another Wednesday in the stabbing death of Foreign Minister Anna Lindh.

Authorities would not say why the 35-year-old drifter picked up last week was let go, but they said evidence against the new suspect was stronger than anything they had before.

In announcing the arrest of a new suspect, prosecutor Agneta Blidberg said Wednesday authorities had "probable cause," to believe the new suspect was involved in the killing — a higher level of suspicion in the Swedish justice system.

Lindh died Sept. 11 after several hours in surgery as doctors struggled to stem severe internal bleeding and damage to her stomach and liver. KARL RITTER (AP)

CENTRAL AMERICA | GANG LANDS



MARKED MEN: A 16-year-old gang member is arrested during a police operation in Nicaragua this week. About 500 gangs, with 100,000 members ranging from ages 8 to 35, operate in neighboring Honduras. Last August, Congress voted to outlaw juvenile gangs, which are known as "maras." ANTONIO ROMERO/AP

Refugees Cite Pressure To Return to Chechnya

Officials cut power, bar aid workers from camp in Russia

ORDZHONIKIDZEVSAYA, RUSSIA | Police have barred humanitarian workers and others from a Chechen refugee camp in Ingushetia in what some refugees see as part of an effort to forcibly relocate them back to neighboring Chechnya.

The prohibition comes as a resident of a camp near this village said Wednesday that police cut power and gas supplies two days earlier. The U.N. High Commissioner says gas, power and water supplies to the camp have been intermittent.

Ivan Pomeschenko, the head of the Ingushetia branch of the Federal Migration Service, said he barred outsiders from entering the camp

last week for security reasons after suicide bombings and other attacks in areas near Chechnya. He denied that the restrictions were part of a plan to force the refugees back to Chechnya in advance of the Oct. 5 regional presidential election.

The Kremlin has touted the election as part of its effort to bring peace and stability to the region. Officials have encouraged refugees to return to Chechnya in an apparent attempt to show that life there is returning to normal.

Many refugees say they are afraid to return. Four years after Russian troops entered the region, beginning the second war against separatists in a decade, rebels mount daily attacks while Russian forces conduct security sweeps that rights groups say have been fraught with abuses of civilians. YURI BAGROV (AP)

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Oct 16 THE LEAKY LEGACY: 100 YEARS OF SEARCHING FOR HUMAN ORIGINS with **Louise Leakey** *Members: \$13 / NONMEMBERS: \$16 – 7:30 PM*
Oct 21 AMONG THE BEARS with **Ben Kilham** *Members: \$13 / NONMEMBERS: \$16 – 7:30 PM*
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Region

Coroner Won't Be Back

Williams tells Arden it's time for a change

WASHINGTON | The District of Columbia government is looking for a new chief medical examiner. Mayor Anthony A. Williams said Wednesday he has told embattled M.E. Dr. Jonathan L. Arden that the time has come for a change.

Arden's suspension with pay occurred earlier this week after Herb Tillery, the District's acting city administrator, received a report from the Office of the Corporation Counsel. The city's legal department conducted its own review of the allegations leveled against Arden and found that some could be substantiated.

Five women, all deputy medical examiners, are expected to testify Thursday before the Judiciary Committee of the D.C. Council. They have also filed formal complaints with the D.C. Office of Human Rights and the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. The complaints contend that Arden gave preferential treatment to some employees based on their gender and his personal relationships.

Drs. Sarah Colvin, Constance DiAngelo, Gertrude Juste and Marie Pierre-Louis are all medical doctors. Dr. Lois Goslinoski is a doctor of osteopathic medicine. All have substantial backgrounds in forensic pathology.

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LESLIE KOSOFF/AP

PUPPET MASTER: Deirdre Suddeth and her son admire bronze statues of Muppets creator and University of Maryland graduate Jim Henson and Kermit the Frog after Wednesday's dedication ceremony in College Park.

Duncan Blasts Pepco In Letter to Gov. Ehrlich

WASHINGTON | As thousands of people in the Washington area remained without power following Hurricane Isabel, Montgomery County Executive Doug Duncan blasted Pepco for its handling of the storm's aftermath.

In a letter to Maryland Gov. Robert Ehrlich, Duncan urged the state to "conduct a vigorous and thorough investigation into the root causes of the utility companies' significant delays in restoring electricity."

Duncan aimed most of his outrage in the letter at Pepco, telling

Ehrlich its delays are "nothing new." He cited a 1999 ice storm and a thunderstorm late last month, both of which left customers without electricity for days. Still, Pepco defended itself.

"This storm was almost three times as large as any storm we have seen in the past," said Pepco Vice President Ted Trebue.

Meanwhile, D.C. Mayor Anthony A. Williams expressed support for the utility's effort even though 10,000 Pepco customers in the District remained without power.

MICHAEL W. KAHN (AP)

Defensive Line: A day in the life of a power company repair crew | washingtonpost.com/metro

Witness Calls Tractor Man 'A Friend'

WASHINGTON | To drivers stuck in massive gridlock over four consecutive rush hours, tobacco farmer Dwight Ware Watson is not a pal. But David Cox of Blounts Creek, N.C., simply considers Watson a longtime friend.

"I have two best friends in this world; Dwight's one of them," Cox said Wednesday as he testified in U.S. District Court.

Watson, 50, drove his Jeep

across federal parkland just west of the Washington Monument on March 17 and unloaded his tractor from a flatbed trailer. He then drove the tractor into a shallow pond of Constitution Gardens.

Cox testified that Watson is not a violent person, and that the two had been roommates at a boarding school during high school and later in college at North Carolina State.

CHEVETTA GILMORE (AP)

Md., Va. Oppose Commuter Tax

WASHINGTON | Maryland and Virginia officials joined the federal government Wednesday in opposing Washington's efforts to impose a commuter tax. Virginia Attorney General Jerry W. Kilgore filed motions jointly with Maryland in U.S. District Court, intervening on behalf of the federal government in a lawsuit by the District. (AP)

Money

Kazaa Hits Industry With Suit

LOS ANGELES | Turning the tables on the entertainment industry, makers of the most popular Internet song-swapping network are suing a combined group of more than 20 record companies and movie studios for copyright infringement.

Sharman Networks Ltd., the company behind the Kazaa file-sharing software, filed a federal lawsuit Monday accusing the entertainment companies of using unauthorized versions of its software in their efforts to root out users.

The Recording Industry Association of America called Sharman's "newfound admiration for the importance of copyright law" ironic and "self-serving."

Sharman, whose main offices are in Sydney, Australia, said the companies used Kazaa Lite, an ad-less replica of its software, to get onto the network. The lawsuit also claims efforts to combat piracy on Kazaa violated terms for using the network. (AP)



BY THE NUMBERS:
According to the U.S. Mint, the Lincoln penny is the only circulating coin currently produced in which the portrait faces to the right.

OPEC to Cut Oil Output by 3.5%

News pushes up oil prices; stocks tumble

VIENNA, AUSTRIA | The OPEC oil cartel on Wednesday agreed to make a pre-emptive cut in its production target for crude in an effort to bolster prices ahead of an expected decrease in demand early next year.

The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries decided to lower its output ceiling by 900,000 barrels a day to 24.5 million barrels starting in November. OPEC pumps about a third of the world's crude.

The surprise 3.5 percent cut startled the market where crude oil futures jumped more than \$1 a barrel.

Tor Kartevold, a special adviser

on the oil market for Norway's state-owned company Statoil, argued that OPEC's cut would have no impact on consumers.

At current levels, OPEC predicts the daily supply of crude will outstrip demand by 2.5 million barrels by next April. Iranian Oil Minister Bijan Namdar Zanganeh, speaking earlier, did not rule out an additional reduction later in the year.

The group plans to meet again Dec. 4 to reassess market conditions.

On Wall Street, the news exacerbated a selloff that was already underway.

The Nasdaq composite index closed down 58 points — its biggest one-day point loss in nearly 15 months. The Dow Jones industrials plunged 150 points.

BRUCE STANLEY (AP)

Mexican Tequila Plan Draws U.S. Fire

WASHINGTON | The U.S. liquor industry is crying foul over a proposed Mexican regulation that would require all tequila sold in the United States to be bottled in Mexico. More than 80 percent of tequila consumed nationally is shipped in bulk from Mexico to U.S.

bottling plants.

The Distilled Spirits Council of the United States said Wednesday the rule would raise costs and threaten U.S. jobs. Mexican supporters of the change said it will allow for better monitoring of tequila quality. MARTIN CRUTSINGER (AP)

Market Action

New York Stock Exchange

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
OmegHlt	7.91	+0.84	+11.9
ParkDrl	2.66	+0.19	+7.7
ActPerf	26.68	+1.83	+7.4
SPeruC	22.88	+1.43	+6.7
TECO	13.55	+0.85	+6.7

Losers

Zarlink g	4.28	-0.81	-15.9
CorusGr	4.34	-0.69	-13.7
SmithAO	29.75	-4.68	-13.6
Heico A	9.94	-1.41	-12.4
Heico	12.64	-1.49	-10.5

Rates

	CURRENT	PREVIOUS WEEK
Prime Rate	4.00	4.00
Fed Funds close	1.00	1.00
3-month	0.92	0.93
2-year	1.61	1.61
10-year	4.14	4.18
30-year	5.03	5.08

NASDAQ Stock Market

Gainers

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	DAILY PERCENT CHANGE
CwlthBio	3.70	+1.55	+72.1
Ultralife	14.30	+2.70	+23.3
Ivanhoe	2.69	+0.49	+22.3
Cellstar	8.70	+1.53	+21.3
SonusPh	5.90	+0.95	+19.2

Losers

aEterna g	4.30	-2.17	-33.5
Powrwav	7.38	-1.59	-17.7
Bam!	2.20	-0.43	-16.3
Satcon	3.40	-0.61	-15.2
NeoRx	5.13	-0.89	-14.8

Currency (Dollars in foreign currency)

	TODAY	PREVIOUS DAY	YEAR AGO
British Pound	.6031	.6049	.6417
Canadian Dollar	1.3505	1.3555	1.5877
European Euro	.8707	.8719	1.0191
Japanese Yen	111.44	112.09	123.33
Mexican Peso	10.7660	10.8050	10.2731
Taiwanese Dollar	33.75	33.73	34.81

DOW	NASDAQ	S&P 500
-150.53	-58.02	-19.65
-1.57	-3.05	-1.91
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Bank Stocks

STOCK	LAST	DAILY CHANGE	YEAR TO DATE PERCENT CHANGE
BcoSnCH	8.53	-.31	+21.0
BankOne	38.12	-.53	+4.3
Bk of Am	78.40	-.65	+12.7
Barclay	31.92	-.97	+29.2
CredSui	32.65	-1.00	+53.4
DeutschBk	61.72	-2.45	+35.9
HSBC	67.15	+0.60	+22.1
JPMorgCh	34.87	-.58	+45.3
LloydTSB	27.81	-.50	-2.7
MitsuTkyo	5.99	-.35	+12.0
UBS AG	56.52	-.90	+17.5
US Bancrp	24.38	-.18	+14.9
Wachovia	41.55	-.47	+14.0
WA Mutl	38.78	-.38	+12.3
WellsFrgo	50.74	-.28	+8.3

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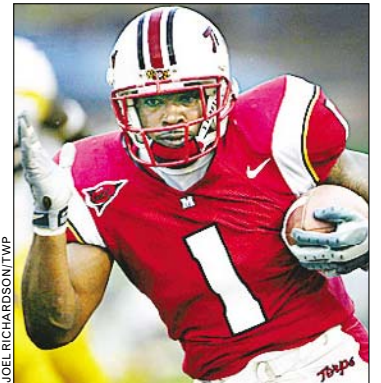
Maryland's Perry Returns to Form

Oft-injured running back is healthy and producing for Terps

COLLEGE FOOTBALL | There's no catching Bruce Perry from behind anymore, and there's no keeping him on the bench — even after he's absorbed a tackle that leaves his entire body numb.

The senior burst onto the national scene in 2001, running for 1,242 yards and scoring 10 touchdowns as the Atlantic Coast Conference offensive player of the year. Last year, however, Perry played in only six games because of myriad injuries, including a strained stomach muscle, a torn groin and a sore shoulder.

It was more of the same over the first three weeks of the 2003 season as Perry saw limited action because of a sprained ankle. He returned to form last Saturday night, however, running for 79 yards on just 14 carries and scoring two touchdowns in Maryland's 34-7 rout of



Bruce Perry scored two touchdowns Saturday against West Virginia.

West Virginia.

His most telling play was the first: At the end of a 7-yard run, Perry was met head-on by safety Grant Wiley, who delivered a jarring blow that dropped the 5-foot-9 running back on the spot.

Coach Ralph Friedgen grinned when recalling the moment.

"He came off the field and said, 'My whole body is tingling,'" Friedgen said. "I told him, 'Welcome back.'" DAVID GINSBURG (AP)

Unsung hero: Barry Svrluga reports that offensive lineman Lamar Bryant seems to make all the difference in the Terps' running game | Today's Post, Sports

BASEBALL | BIG WIN



SOX APPEAL: White Sox pitcher Esteban Loaiza won his 20th game of the year Wednesday against the Yankees.

24 U.S. Olympic Medalists Tested Positive for Drugs

OLYMPICS | Twenty-four American athletes who won Olympic medals had previously tested positive for banned drugs, but the cases were handled properly without any cover-ups, the USOC said Wednesday.

Confirmation of the cases came on the same day the IOC said it couldn't take action in the alleged doping case involving U.S. sprinter Jerome Young.

The International Olympic Committee and the World Anti-Doping Agency have been investigating accusations Young tested positive for nandrolone in 1999 but was cleared on appeal by U.S. officials. He went on to win a gold medal in Sydney as part of the 1,600-meter relay team. (AP)

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BY THE NUMBERS: The Big East is planning to invite four Conference USA teams to its league in 2005, sources told the AP. Miami and Virginia Tech will join the ACC next season.

Sports



Members of the U.S. women's national soccer team practice Wednesday in Philadelphia. The Americans play Nigeria Thursday in a first-round match.

Physical Fitness: U.S. Prepares for Nigeria

SOCCER | Nigeria's Super Falcons are no match for the American women in overall soccer skills. So they often bring something more to the game: brute force.

It's not necessarily malicious, nor is it always effective. But when the United States plays Nigeria in a first-round World Cup game Thursday night, there's no question it will be a physical match.

The only two Nigeria-United States games were one-sided American victories. But in the 1999 World Cup — a 7-1 U.S. win — and in a 3-1 victory at the 2000 Olympics in Sydney, U.S. players were roughed up.

While Nigeria coach Sam

Okpodu says there isn't any malevolence involved in those tactics, he admits his players are "competitive."

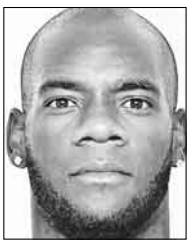
U.S. coach April Heinrichs agrees. She contends the Nigerians simply believe they must contest every ball, and that they sometimes get carried away in how they do so.

"If we back away, we run the risk of playing in fear during the game. Certainly, we have some courageous players that won't back off. That's part of being a good team."

BARRY WILNER (AP)

Kicking the cup: The Post's Steve Goff discusses the World Cup at noon on [washingtonpost.com/liveonline](http://www.washingtonpost.com/liveonline).

HEARSAY | MAKING AMENDS



"I've already apologized, and am still apologizing, to all my teammates for what happened last weekend."

—RAVENS CB CHRIS MCALISTER

WHO MISSED CURFEW ONE DAY AND SKIPPED A TEAM MEETING LAST WEEK IN SAN DIEGO, PROMPTING COACH BRIAN BILLICK TO BENCH HIM DURING SUNDAY'S WIN AGAINST THE CHARGERS.

Today's TV Lineup

COLLEGE FOOTBALL (7:30 p.m. on ESPN) No. 15 Nebraska looks for a 4-0 start when visiting Southern Mississippi.

GOLF (4 p.m. on ESPN) Loren Roberts is the defending champion of the Texas Open, starting Thursday in San Antonio.

SOCCER (7:25 p.m. on ESPN2) The U.S. Women's World Cup team goes for a

2-0 record when facing Nigeria (0-1) in Philadelphia.

SOCCER (9:55 p.m. on ESPN2) 1999 finalist China faces Australia in a first-round match of the Women's World Cup in Carson, Calif.

BASEBALL (7 p.m. on Comcast) Derek Lowe leads the Boston Red Sox against the Baltimore Orioles.

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Lookout



MEMORIES: The newlyweds look over photographs from their wedding.

Dawn of Camelot

Smithsonian exhibit showcases photos of Kennedys' early days

WASHINGTON | Jacqueline Kennedy, books under her arm, walks with fellow students to an American history class. John F. Kennedy, the junior senator from Massachusetts, studies a document through thick-rimmed spectacles. The newlyweds examine a pile of wedding photos.

Those are scenes from "Camelot at Dawn," an exhibit of 55 black-and-white photos taken in May 1954 — during the couple's first year of marriage — at their Washington townhouse near Georgetown University. The exhibit opened Sept. 19 at the Smithsonian's Arts and Industries Building.

Photographer Orlando Suero, now 78 and retired, took the photos during a four-day shoot for McCall's magazine, for an article intended to portray a typical week in the young couple's life.

Married on Sept. 12, 1953, the couple was eager to "project an idyllic portrait of happy young newlyweds" even as Kennedy was posi-



THE HILL: The Kennedys spent a lot of time together at the Capitol.

tioning himself to run for higher office, the museum said in a hand-out accompanying the exhibit.

The show, which runs through Jan. 4, is based on "Camelot at Dawn," a book by Anne Garside, public relations director at Johns Hopkins University's Peabody Institute in Baltimore, in which the photos also appear.

Like many politicians, Kennedy usually avoided being photographed with glasses, but there is a shot of the bespectacled senator intently looking over some papers in his Capitol



PRE-CAMELOT: John Kennedy catches a football thrown by his brother, Robert Kennedy, while their wives Jacqueline, right, and Ethel watch. Below: While John reads papers, Jackie reads the mail in the junior senator's Capitol Hill office.

Hill office as Mrs. Kennedy helps with the mail.

Some photos hint of the elegant, dazzling hostess Mrs. Kennedy was to become during Kennedy's White House years. One image captures her descending the stairs in a ball gown as her husband waits at the bottom, seemingly in rapt attention.

But Kennedy also used the occasion to playfully tease his wife.

"Jack said something like, 'Jackie, you look absolutely gorgeous,'" Suero recalled, "but he was always kidding her, so he followed up this compliment with 'but if you stood sideways, you'd disappoint half the men in America.'"

Mrs. Kennedy responded by "solicitously straightening Jack's bow tie." CARL HARTMAN (AP)





WeekendPass

An American Boy

Love him or hate him, this country bully stays on message

MUSIC | A late bloomer several times over, this weekend's star-spangled hawk troubadour, Toby Keith, didn't seriously pursue country music until he got laid off from his oilfield job.

Keith was just another poodle-headed mullethead before Dreamworks unleashed his inner jackass. And it came out kicking: Ostensibly directed at a snooty girl from high school, "How Do You Like Me Now?!" was intended as much for the Nashville suits who'd cramped his style.

Keith released his most notorious record just last year. Currently showcased by the Country Music Hall of Fame and Museum, "Courtesy of the Red, White and Blue (The Angry American)" envisioned a bar-brawling United States raring to get in its hardest punches at the first sign of a conflict.

It was horrifying and exhilarating, disgusting and uplifting, and there was no gainsaying Keith's grasp of the zeitgeist. Bet you've heard nothing like when he plays it live. **GLENN DIXON**

Nissan Pavilion, 7800 Cellar Door Drive, Bristow; Sat., Sept. 27, 7:30 p.m., \$28-\$57.75; 703-573-7328.



COURTESY HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH IT: Keith is known as much for his pugnaciousness as for his musical prowess.

Top Stops

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Beer Goggles Optional: Cap City Pub Crawl

Fill up on bread, do those push-ups and get a good night's sleep — it's the 12th Annual Cap City Bar Crawl. If you have a taste for intern-flesh or happen to be a Hill intern yourself, you already know about the interminable slog through various local taverns while young folk guzzle cheap beers, wolf down bargain happy-hour tidbits and go hog wild. And it's all for charity — as if you care.

Register at Rumors (1900 M St. NW) or Mackey's Public House (1823 L St. NW); 1-7 p.m., \$10 with two cans of food. (Farragut West)



Hard Times's classic Cincinnati Fourway sets the gold standard.

Hot Stuff: Chili Cook-Off

What's hotter than Georgia asphalt and can make grown men cry? No, not Jennifer Lopez — it's chili, silly. The Hard Times Chili Cook-Off was postponed from the 20th due to Miss Isabel, but area cooks are revving up their spicing wrists and jotting recipe secrets down in invisible ink for this for-sure event. There'll be live music, kid stuff, loads to eat and drink, and the event benefits the National Kidney Foundation.

Oronoco Bay Park, between Pendleton and Madison streets in Old Town, Alexandria; Sat., Sept. 27, 11 a.m.-7 p.m.; 703-683-8545 ext. 394.

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LAST CHANCE: Arlington's Lubber Run Concert Series of free al fresco shows ends after Sunday's Old Time Fiddle Contest. 200 N. Columbus St.; noon-4 p.m.; 703-228-6960.



Green Day: Jim Henson (and Kermit) get a statue; AFI throws the Muppeteer (and his creation) a party.

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The Great Muppet Party

OUT & ABOUT | It's about time: The great Jim Henson is finally getting his own statue at his alma mater, the University of Maryland.

In the early photos of this monument, Henson appears to be chatting amiably with a completely independent Kermit, so it's nice to see that despite the Muppet-creator's death in 1990, things worked out nicely for both him and his most beloved creation.

And over at AFI Silver, Henson's also getting a big ol' party and a miniature film fest.

Thursday's "Tribute to Jim Henson" features several episodes of "The Muppet Show" and examples of Henson's early TV work, which he undertook locally.

Actor and Henson-pal Harry Belafonte will be on hand, along with other friends and collaborators, to discuss Henson's life and legacy.

If anything, this celebration is a rebuttal to the charge that nothing comes out of Washington but pork. Unless you count Miss Piggy. (EXPRESS)

AFI Silver Theatre, 8633 Colesville Road, Silver Spring; Thu., Sept. 25, 8:15 p.m., \$8.50; 301-495-6720.



PORTRAIT OF THE LEGEND AS A YOUNG FROG: A tender moment between the creator and his greatest creation — a young Jim Henson touches up tadpole Kermit.



CLIMBING THE WALLS: That's how eager Grey Matter is to reunite for the Black Cat's 10th anniversary party.

A Cat on Its Tenth Life

OUT & ABOUT | Has it been that long? After 10 years of showcasing the best of visiting and local bands, Black Cat is throwing itself an anniversary party.

We believe the traditional gift for the 10th year is beer, so luckily there'll be plenty on hand. But two stages of bands and a whole lot of merriment are also on tap.

On the main stage, expect City Goats, 302 Acid, Aquarium,

Benjy Ferree, Tradition Dies Here, the Rude Staircase, a long-awaited Gray Matter reunion and more. Downstairs on the Backstage the First Ladies DJ Collective battles "Corruption"-night male DJs for an epic turntable battle of the sexes. (EXPRESS)

1811 14th St. NW; Fri., Sept. 26, doors open 8:30 p.m., main stage \$8, Backstage \$5; 202-667-7960. (U.St.-Cardozo)

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Avant-Country: Robbie Fulks

A renegade musician who could be loosely classified under "country" if someone was really desperate to classify the guy, Robbie Fulks is an avant-garde rocker with rootsy roots and a witty way with a song. He's also a smartass who indulges in freaky cover choices and strange subjects. With Karl Straub.

Iota, 2832 Wilson Blvd., Arlington; Thu., Sept. 25, 9 p.m., \$13; 703-522-8340. (Courthouse)

Cheap Woolly: Mammoth Bargain

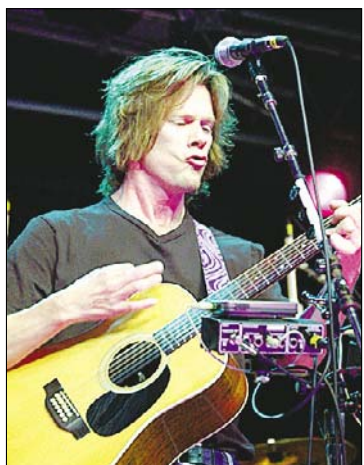
By now you know that Woolly Mammoth's production of Paula Vogel's "The Mineola Twins" is a hot theatrical property. The news is that anyone can afford to see the scathing political satire on "Pay What You Can" night.

D.C. Jewish Community Center, 1529 16th St. NW; Sun., Sept. 28, sale begins 6 p.m.; 202-393-3939 or woollymammoth.net. (Dupont Circle)

Yummy: Bacon Bros.

Yes, it's that fine haunch of a band, the Bacon Brothers, starring the hot-again actor Kevin and some other guy. It's sold out, but you never know if your cousin's chiropractor's assistant's boyfriend knows a guy who rooms with one of the door-men and can get you in.

Ram's Head Tavern, 33 West St., Annapolis; Sat., Sept. 27, 6:30 and 9:30 p.m.; 410-268-4545.



The "arena pout" is a rarer cousin of the notorious "white-man lip-bite."

Embassy Night: Singles in Jordan

The D.C. Society of Young Professionals brings clean-cut young folk together in fun and interesting ways. Thursday the DCSOYP will be doing its bit to bridge the gap between Western and Middle Eastern cultures with a timely choice of foreign-embassy party spots — the Embassy of Jordan.

3504 International Drive NW; Thu., Sept. 25; 7:30 p.m., \$60; www.dcyoungpro.com. (Van Ness-UDC)

Make Some Noise: Sonic Circuits

Not a dance club, not an art show, but a celebration of sound in sound — the Sonic Circuits International Festival of Electronic Music and Art heads to Warehouse Next Door. Audiences interested in the next phase in artistic uses of sonic technology can witness a wildly eclectic and forward-thinking program.

Warehouse Next Door, 1017 7th St. NW; Sat., Sept. 27, 7:30 p.m., \$10; 202-783-3933. (Mt. Vernon Square-UDC)

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BY THE NUMBERS: The Big Apple Circus uses 4,500 gallons of water a day, serves about 150,000 meals a year from its cookhouse trailer and has four children enrolled in the circus's certified "One-Ring Schoolhouse."

BALANCING IN THE BIG TOP | FREQUENT FLYERS



AMAZING FEATS! STUPENDOUS STUNTS! One of the area's most welcomed visitors, the Big Apple Circus, is back with its 26th season. "Carnevale!" debuts Thursday for a jaw-dropping, awe-inspiring, snow-cone-eating season. Ho-pa! Dulles Town Center, 21100 Dulles Town Circle, Dulles, Va.; 7 p.m., \$15-\$42; 800-922-3772. Through Oct. 13.

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From Russia With Jokes

**Two minor Chekhov
classics come to life
at an Arlington theater**

STAGE | Anton Chekhov himself didn't take either "The Bear" or "The Marriage Proposal" entirely seriously, calling one a "stupid vaudeville" and the other a "scabby little vaudeville," but these farcical one-acts are hardly the coarse, baggy-pants comedies their author dismissed them as being.

Brought to life for a six-week run as "Chekhov's Jokes" by director Veniamin Filshtinsky for Arlington's well-regarded Classika Theatre, these plays take as their target the foolish and inconsistent rural Russian nobility.

In "The Bear," a young widow who stoically endured her lousy late husband's affairs and abuse dedicates herself to his memory after his death. She is jolted out of this bizarre but cozy existence by a visit from a creditor who claims that the dead man has a debit outstanding.

In "The Marriage Proposal," a



The trigger-happy widow: Lynette Morris as Popova in "The Bear."

simple domestic arrangement goes haywire when a young couple tries to arrange a marriage despite the families' feuding over a useless piece of land.

Russian audiences loved Chekhov's little "vaudevilles," and so will modern Americans. (EXPRESS)

Classika Theatre, 4041 S. 28th St., Arlington; opens Sat., Sept. 27, 8 p.m., \$20 in advance, \$22 at the door; 703-824-6200. Through Nov. 9.

LIVE MUSIC | PREACHING TO THE CHOIR



PUNKABILLY IN THE PULPIT: Reverend Horton Heat and Southern Culture on the Skids play like there's a gasoline-soaked rag stuffed in the amp and the whole thing might blow at any minute. Actually, it might. 9:30 Club, 815 V St. NW; Sat., Sept. 27, \$20; 202-393-0930. (U St.-Cardozo)

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Chief Conservator Susan Lake works on Paul Thek's latex and mixed-media sculpture "Fishman," 1968; with its ephemeral materials, the piece is deteriorating.

Saving the Fishman

MUSEUMS | Keeping the delicate canvases of the old masters from falling to pieces has always been tricky, but safeguarding works of modern and contemporary art is no easier. Unorthodox techniques and ephemeral materials can render even a recent piece the subject of prolonged debate.

You can get a glimpse at this difficult process at Friday's "Behind the Scenes in the Conservation Lab." This series of gallery talks is devoted to the combination of art-historical scholarship and cutting-edge science that constitutes the field of art conservation.

Hirshhorn Museum staff are currently deciding the fate of Paul Thek's "Fishman." Consisting of latex casts of fish and the artist's body supported by metal rods and

stuffed with cotton batting and newspaper, the 1968 sculpture is now too fragile to be installed as intended — lashed to a dead tree.

Should its decay be reversed or halted through the use of invasive chemicals, slowed by storage in an oxygen-free environment, or simply accepted as the inevitable effect of time on substances never intended to be archival?

Currently included in the conservation section of the museum-wide "Gyroscope" show, "Fishman" underwent intense scrutiny in the museum's conservation laboratory before being laid out in a vitrine for display. **GLENN DIXON**

Hirshhorn Museum, 7th Street and Independence Avenue SW; Fri., Sept. 26, 12:30 p.m., meet at information desk; 202-357-2700. (L'Enfant Plaza)

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Women's Wisdom: Floetry at Warner

Singer-songwriter Marsha Ambrosius and emcee-songwriter Natalie Stewart of the London-based duo Floetry fuse hip-hop, spoken word, deep soul music and the dry hard truth in one riveting musical package. Hardly unheard prophets in their own land or this



Marsha Ambrosius onstage at Radio City Music Hall earlier this year.

one, they win a lot of award nominations for their trouble. With Kem.

Warner Theatre, Thu., Sept. 25, 8 p.m., \$44.50-49.50; 202-628-1818. (Metro Center)

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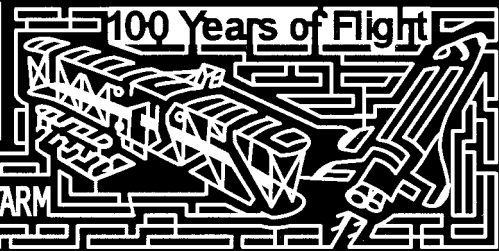
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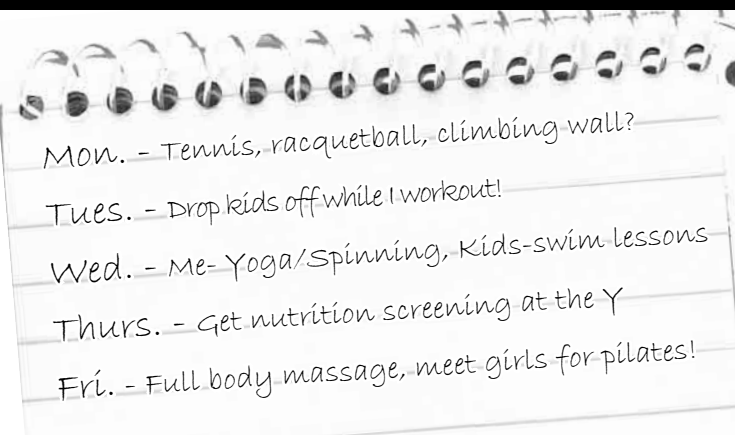
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VEGGIE TALE: Heavy, difficult and finally delicious — artichokes aren't bad, either.

Wholly Quasi

MUSIC | Everybody's heard of legends-in-their-own-time Sleater-Kinney, and most everybody has heard of Heatmiser, the band formed by Elliot Smith and some other guy. But not everybody's heard of Quasi despite two stellar recordings.

The Portland duo happens to be S-K drummer Janet Weiss and Heatmiser keyboardist Sam Coomes. (That's the other guy!) And despite their separate notoriety, collectively Quasi is something

special. For one thing, it's the coolest divorced-couple band since the White Stripes.

Combining the heavenly pop of the lighthearted with the shattered rhythms and jaundiced lyrics of the deeply cynical, the music is like a direct beam into the mind of smart Gen-Xers battling dissolution with keen-eyed irony. With Hella and Dame Fate. (EXPRESS)

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Shark Attack: Great White Washes Up

The seminal '80s hairband Great White plays at Jaxx, that repository of all things hairpsrayed and Spandexed. No jokes, now; a band has to make a living. Proceeds from this tour go to the Station Fund.

Jaxx Nightclub & Restaurant, 6355 Rolling Road, Springfield; Fri., Sept. 26, \$20; 703-569-5940.

Fresh Foodie: The New Fall Season

There's nothing like a crisp fall morning at the Farmer's Market, what with all the sparkling produce on display. And with Robyn Webb, author of "Flavorful Seasons Cookbook," on hand to tell you what to do with all that gorgeous mizuna you scooped up on impulse (and to sign copies of her book), this trip to the market will be even better.

Arlington Farmers Market, N. Courthouse Road and N. 14th Street, Arlington; Sat., Sept. 27; 8 a.m.-noon, free; 703-228-6423 or arlingtonfarmersmarket.com.

ON TV TONIGHT

LOST IN TRANSLATION

COUPLING (9:30 p.m., NBC) The much-hyped Britcom may not be very funny, but it's an interesting, if ultimately sad, phenomenon.

"Coupling" is not merely an Americanized version of an English comedy, it is a near-literal re-enactment of the British show. With the exception of a few translations from British slang and a couple of tweaked scenes, the American cast repeats the British script word for potty-mouthed word.

While there are moments of naughty banter, we're never invited to care about any of these frisky sex drones.

In the space of 22 minutes, a couple has sex in the toilet, one guy asks another guy for a condom and a woman reveals one of her breasts to the rest of the cast. This soulless exercise in smarmy sexuality unfolds with the pointless precision of a porn movie without nudity, or a comedy without laughs.

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ONE MINUTE MOVIES NBC celebrates the return of its "must see" lineup with the advent of these 60-second stories. They'll air during commercial breaks and feature the voices of Michael

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ELVIS IS EVERYWHERE

LIVE BY REQUEST (10 p.m., A&E) Once the angry young voice of new wave, Elvis Costello has mellowed over the past three decades, even recording a hit album with Burt Bacharach. Costello will take requests (via a special 800 number and the Internet). Look for old favorites as well as songs from his new album, "North."

TEN PEOPLE, ONE BLUE SUIT

CNBC NEWS (4 p.m., CNBC) All 10 candidates for the Democratic nomination meet to debate economic issues.

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SURVIVOR: PEARL ISLANDS (8 p.m., CBS) The second eviction.

AN INDIAN M.D.?

ER (10 p.m.) Parminder Nagra ("Bend It Like Beckham") joins the cast as medical student Neela Rasgotra.

CULT CHOICE

KISSIN' COUSINS (8 p.m., TCM) Elvis Presley took a page from "The Patty Duke Show" in this odd 1964 musical in which he plays an Air Force officer and his identical cousin, a hillbilly. KEVIN MCDONOUGH (UNITED FEATURE SYNDICATE)

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ASK TOM

Live Online

Washington Post Sunday Magazine columnist **TOM SIETSEMA** talks restaurants Wednesdays at 11 a.m. on washingtonpost.com/liveonline.

I don't like the seaweed wrappers used in sushi rolls. Do you know of any place that uses rice or soy wrappers instead?

Sunflower, the fine vegetarian restaurant in Vienna, offers vegetarian sushi (with brown rice and bean curd in the role of raw fish) wrapped in marinated tofu skin.

I would like to give a dinner out to some friends. Where is the most unusual place in the area to dine?

Just how adventurous are your pals on, say, a 1-10 scale? If they come in at 9 or above, book seats at the new Minibar at Café Atlantico, which offers a \$65 tasting menu of 30 or so bites, slurps and nibbles. It's a three-ring circus of a dinner, trust me.

I'm meeting a friend for dinner in Arlington. What's inexpensive and Metro accessible?

Try the pretty Minh's (Vietnamese) or the new Harry's Tap Room (modern American).

What would you say is the best Greek restaurant in the D.C. area?

Traditional Greek? Hands down, it's Mykonos Grill in Rockville.

If you were going to open a restaurant (hypothetically,) where in D.C. would you open, what would you serve and at what price point?

Right this minute? I'd open a wine bar with a dozen or so small plates — nothing more than \$9 — in Logan Circle, a neighborhood begging for (good) restaurants.

What's up with the new restaurant Eve, coming soon to Old Town?

Eve is expected to open Oct. 31 at 110 S. Pitt St. in Alexandria. The Irish-born chef, Cathal Armstrong, late of Bis on the Hill, will be offering casual menu up front and a tasting menu in a more formal rear space.

+ For details on these restaurants, see www.washingtonpost.com/entertainment.

Purple Reign

COOKING | Why does eggplant scare people?

Don't believe what some cooks say about it. Most of the mythology has to do, in one way or another, with the vegetable's supposed bitterness.

Let's get one thing straight right from the start: Eggplants are not bitter. At least they are no more bitter than a green bell pepper or a green apple. In fact, it's that subtle edge that makes eggplant such a great companion to so many other ingredients.

Fry an eggplant in olive oil and what once was a hard, dry vegetable becomes downright voluptuous. The surface crisps slightly, and the inside turns creamy and smooth.

Actually, it's one of those supposed cures for bitterness that is the secret to great fried eggplant. Salting the vegetable does nothing to remove bitterness. But it does pull the water out of the eggplant, collapsing the cells, which then absorb

oil more easily during cooking.

What do you do with fried eggplant? If it's cut into disks, one approach is to think of it as a really luxurious fresh pasta. Roll it around ricotta or goat cheese. Or you can layer it with fresh cheese, cover it with tomato sauce and bake it. Or you can go another direction: Dice it before frying and then use it as a creamy counterpart to braised meat in stews. **RUSS PARSONS (L.A. TIMES)**



COLD EGGPLANT SALAD

2 pounds long thin eggplants	1/2 teaspoon minced
1 tablespoon minced garlic	rosemary
1/2 cup olive oil	1/4 teaspoon red pepper
2 tablespoons lemon juice	flakes
2 teaspoons salt	Ground black pepper



Remove the tough green calyxes and cut the eggplants into thirds or halves to fit in your steamer basket. Steam them over rapidly boiling water until tender, about 5 minutes. The perfect point of doneness is when a knife will slip easily into the eggplant, but it is not so cooked that the skin wrinkles.

Remove the eggplant from the heat and set aside until it's just cool enough to handle (the hotter the eggplant, the better it will absorb the dressing). While the eggplant is cooling, whisk together the garlic, olive oil, lemon juice, salt, rosemary and red pepper flakes in a mixing bowl.

Cut the eggplant pieces in half lengthwise. If the bottom ends are very thick, cut these in quarters. Cut again to make 2-inch pieces and add them to the dressing. Toss well to combine and refrigerate until ready to serve. To serve, add the black pepper, then taste the eggplant and adjust the seasoning.

TOTAL TIME: 20 minutes

SERVINGS: 6

EACH SERVING: 200 calories; 1 gram protein; 10 grams carbohydrates; 3 grams fiber; 18 grams fat; 3 grams saturated fat; 0 cholesterol; 780 milligrams sodium. (L.A. TIMES)

Letters

TO THE EDITOR

THANKS FOR Tuesday's front-page picture about no-car day. It's a shame that no U.S. cities participated — I'd love to see traffic in Washington, D.C., come to a halt for a day. We in the United States have so much to learn from other countries (as they have looked to us for the democratic principles on which this country was founded). If only we could put aside our arrogance and see how others live.

—EDWARD NORTON
Mt. Rainier, Md.

I ENJOYED READING in Wednesday's EyeOpeners the new guidelines for scoring students in Britain, whereby a correct answer is "creditworthy" and an incorrect answer is "not creditworthy." This new terminology is one more silly attempt of do-gooders to demand nothing of anyone. I expect those do-gooders would call my view politically incorrect.

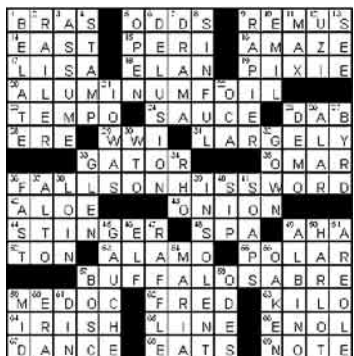
However, by setting a standard by which nothing is correct or incorrect, these elitists have relinquished the privilege of labeling anything politically correct or incorrect. By their own terminology, those terms must now be replaced with "politically creditworthy" and "politically not creditworthy."

—DAVID SAUNDERS
Silver Spring, Md.

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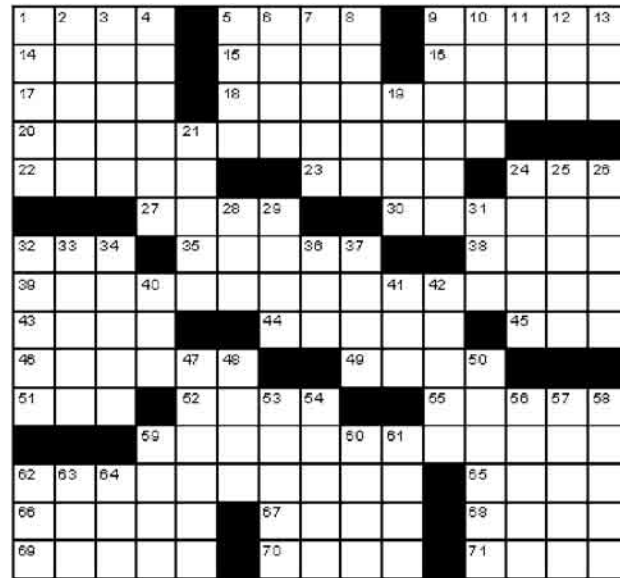
Yesterday's Solutions



Crossword Puzzle | Edited by Timothy E. Parker

ACROSS

- 1 Menu item
5 Sicilian volcano
9 Last alternative?
14 Popular fish
15 MGM sound effect
16 An ice place to live
17 Culture medium
18 Sour or bitter in taste
20 Disparages
22 What the rich live in?
23 Blue Triangle grp.
24 Start of a kindergarten song
27 "So what ___ is new?"
30 Like a famous dodger
32 Realize
35 "... Rich and Famous" host
38 Word with high pressure
39 Disparages
43 Part of NASCAR
44 It may connect a limb to a branch
45 Trunk contents, per haps
46 Batter or battered
49 Pod pieces
51 Cunning
52 Chesterfield, e.g.



- 55 Beverage since 1898
59 Disparages
62 Range of skills in a particular occupation
65 Inveigh
66 Mindful
67 Scent
68 A lot, for many?
69 Dissuade
70 Rive

- 71 Examination

DOWN

- 1 ERA and RBI, say
2 Should (with "to")
3 Having only one component
4 Conditional release
5 Significant periods
6 Eighty-six

- 7 Well-groomed
8 Directional sign
9 Kind of equation
10 ___ Benedict
11 Steak partner
12 Trinity member
13 Nursery moppet
19 Andean of old
21 Partner of Fargo
24 Big hairstyles

- 25 Vista or Park
26 Brooch part
28 Red or Black waterway
29 Manhattan border river
31 Chi lead-in
32 Remnants of healing
33 Artist's stand
34 "How I Spent My Summer Vacation," maybe
36 Figure head?
37 Household staff
40 It does blowups
41 Caviar
42 Loses one's cool
47 Hardhearted lender
48 Larboard
50 Pointillist painter
Georges
53 Elevator stop
54 Stage whisper
56 Locale
57 Mixes
58 Key
59 In this case
60 Golf club
61 Overly bookish type, stereotypically
62 Swell, '90s-style
63 Certain bleater
64 Frisk (with "down")

The Duplex | Glenn McCoy



Horoscope | Stella Wilder

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) — You'll receive a crash-course in "winging it" — thanks to someone who has been looking out for you and has your best interest at heart.
SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) — You'll be missed, but you must follow your instincts even if they take you away from the comforts of home.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Are you ready to make decisions for someone else? The time has come for you to take charge, but in a manner that teaches a few lessons.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Be responsible for more than yourself and you'll reap many rewards — and, possibly, avoid a difficult situation after dark.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Make yourself and those around you look as good as possible; you certainly know how to do it.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20) — A portion of your work must be done for those who do not have the know-how. Help others to accomplish more.
ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Talk about a difficult subject with those who are also affected. You may have to take the lead, but others will eagerly follow.
TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — You'll encounter a make-or-break opportunity that will be very tempting. How you must act will be determined by timing.
GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Focus on financial matters. Get the advice of one

who has been there. See if you can't adopt a new way of accomplishing an old goal.
CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Physical ills may well be traced to psychological causes — but don't think that you've simply made it all up. What you feel is real.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — You have a great deal going for you, but you aren't considering all your options. Once you recognize hidden opportunities, you'll be flying high.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Though change usually comes slowly, you may find that others are willing to help you through a complex transition before this day is out.

MEDIA AND THE COURTROOM

Live Online

From washingtonpost.com/liveonline

GERRY SPENCE, defense lawyer and author of "The Smoking Gun," was online Wednesday to discuss the media's role in shaping perception.

Do you think it's the media or just peoples' natural way of thinking that helps fan the flames against people defendants by presuming they're guilty and taking sides before all the facts are known?

I think the media in these kinds of cases make it trial-by-media — trial-by-television or trial-by-news-paper. It violates the ideas we have of a fair trial because the state's witnesses give the side of the state's story and can't be cross-examined by the defendant. So, most people who are selected for the jury have already made up their minds. The defendant goes into the trial presumed guilty instead of innocent, as the Constitution provides.

What is your take on the Kobe Bryant case? Will it be another O.J. Simpson trial?

Well, it won't be another O.J. trial, but it has already become a media feeding frenzy. It will likely destroy the lives of Kobe Bryant and the young woman who has made the complaint against him.

I have to agree with you about Kobe's life being destroyed.

If he's found innocent, some people won't believe he's innocent. If he's found guilty, his life will be destroyed. From this day forward, he will never be vindicated.

Your book sounds like a courtroom drama. What do you think of those types of shows on TV? Like "The Practice" or "Law and Order"?

I don't watch them. TV dramas tend to make people suspicious of their friends and neighbors and to hate their own species. These kinds of shows, which usually involve violence, tend to frighten us to the point where we are willing to give up our rights in exchange for the promise of safety by our government.

Today on Live Online:

11 A.M.: CNN political analyst and Crossfire co-host Tucker Carlson discusses his new book on politics and the media.

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MUSIC

Bush Gets Punk'd

GREEN DAY, Good Charlotte, Sum 41 and other punk-rock bands will contribute songs to an album titled "Rock Against Bush," which will be released through indie label Fat Wreck Chords next April or May. Fat Wreck Chords president Fat Mike — who also sings for the punk band NOFX — says he wanted to use his influence in the punk rock world to campaign directly against George Bush, telling MTV.com, "He's wrecking the country and the world." (AP)



Green Day and other punk bands are contributing to an anti-Bush CD.



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MUSIC

Shhhhhhhhhhh!

American rap-rock band Linkin Park has received the Malaysian government's permission to perform next month in Kuala Lumpur — but band members won't be allowed to scream, jump around or wear shorts onstage. The Oct. 15 show must adhere to the country's strict code of ethics. Maybe frontman **CHESTER BENNINGTON** will trade his primal screams for a soothing croon? (AP)

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Samurai Rock Stunt

Singer **DAVID LEE ROTH** has canceled the rest of his U.S. tour because of a martial arts accident during a recent performance. "He was doing a kung fu maneuver and he got hit with a staff that he uses," his spokesman said. "He was doing a very fast, complicated 15th-century samurai move." The former Van Halen frontman needed 21 stitches on his face after the Sept. 17 accident. (AP)



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"If Arnold can run for governor in California, then who knows? I have the muscles."

— **MARTINA NAVRATILOVA**
VETERAN TENNIS CHAMPION, CONSIDERING HER FUTURE IN AMERICAN POLITICS

POLITICS

Death Wish

Actor **TONY RANDALL** has a fantasy: When he dies, President Bush and Vice President Cheney will show up to pay their respects but will be turned away — because his family knows he didn't like them. Feeling his own mortality while suffering a cold, Randall, 83, made his

remarks at the National Funeral Directors Association conference,



where he had been invited to speak. In his opinion, funerals should be planned as a celebration of the person's life, and "a touch of humor doesn't hurt a bit," Randall said. (AP)

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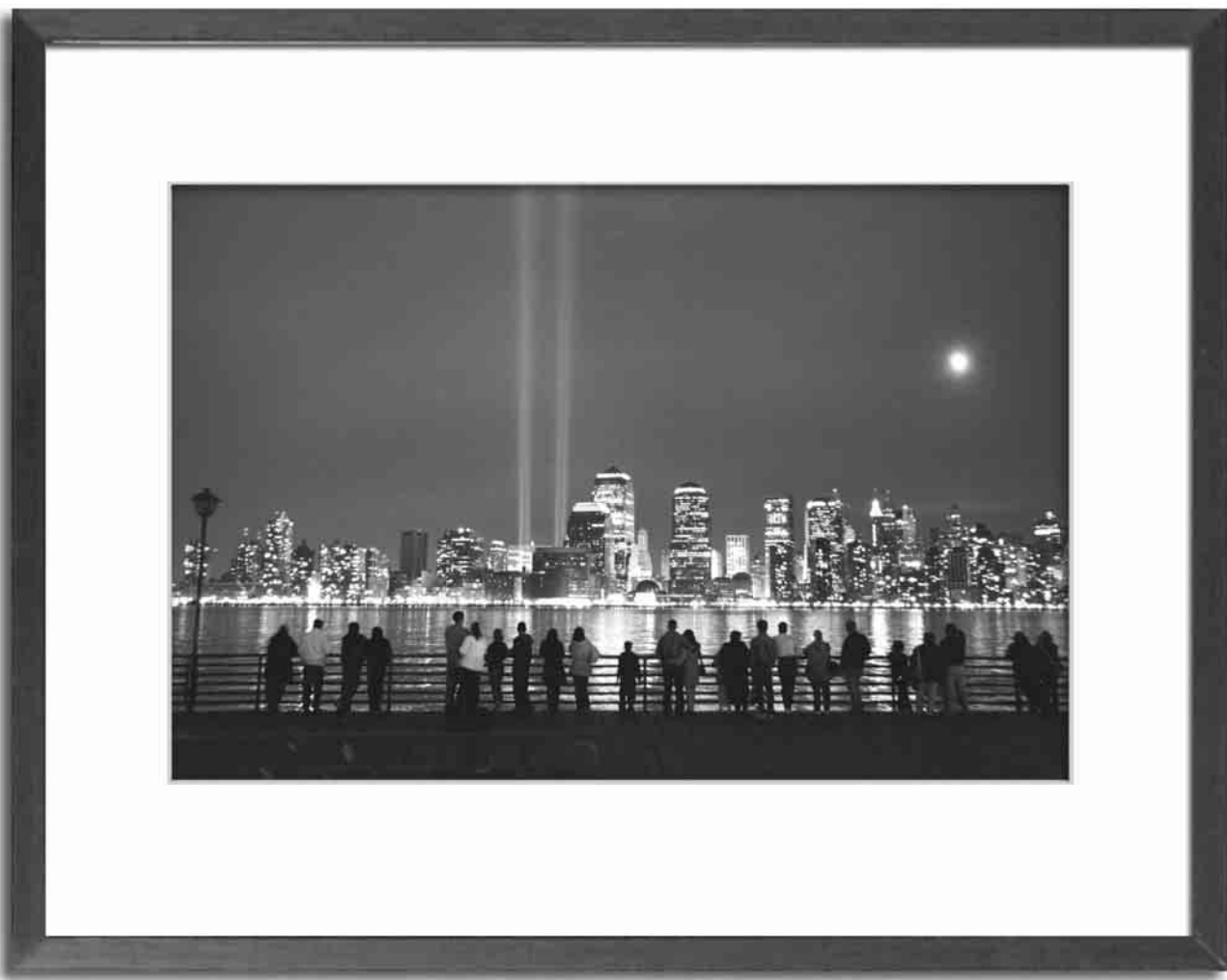
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